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Interview Summary

Application No. 08/892,092	Applicant(s) Yamagami
Examiner Mitchell White	Group Art Unit 2712

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Mitchell White

(3) Richard Bauer

(2) Wendy Garber

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Date of Interview Aug 9, 2000

Type: Telephonic Personal (copy is given to applicant applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: Yes No. If yes, brief description:

Agreement was reached. was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: All independent claims

Identification of prior art discussed:

Kawamura et al. (US 5 899581)
Olk et al. (US 5,768,503)

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:
Mr. Bauer discussed possible amendments which included how the exclusive user information was input by the user before the generation of the image data. Amendments to claim 19 was discussed how the exclusive user attribute was appended to the image data. These amendments appear to overcome the rejection of record. However an updated search will be performed upon receiving amendments.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1. It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.

M. Garber
SPE Art Unit 2712

Examiner Note: You must sign and stamp this form unless it is an attachment to a signed Office action.

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19. (Amended) A recording system comprising:
recording means for recording [given] image data or voice data on a media;
first storage means for storing an exclusive user attribute to be appended to the
image data or the voice data;
second storage means for storing authentication information; and
change means for changing the exclusive user attribute stored by said first storage
means after an authentication operation is performed by said authentication information stored in
said first storage means, said authentication operation taking place prior to the exclusive user
attribute being appended to the image data or the voice data.
21. (Amended) A recording device for recording at least one of image data and
voice data on a recording medium, comprising:
generation means for generating image data or voice data to be recorded;
determining means for determining to-be-recorded attribute information relating to
said image data or said voice data, said attribute information being arbitrary information generated
by the user in an external device before the generation of said image data or said voice data; and
recording means for recording the attribute information determined by said
determining means, and for relating the attribute information to said image data or said voice data
generated by said generation means.

"Exclusive user
information" - possible
amendment

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recording means for recording [given] image data or voice data on a media;
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image data or the voice data;

second storage means for storing authentication information; and
change means for changing the exclusive user attribute stored by said first storage
means after an authentication operation is performed by said authentication information stored in
said first storage means, said authentication operation taking place prior to the exclusive user
attribute being appended to the image data or the voice data.

21. (Amended) A recording device for recording at least one of image data and
voice data on a recording medium, comprising:

generation means for generating image data or voice data to be recorded;
determining means for determining to-be-recorded attribute information relating to
said image data or said voice data, said attribute information being arbitrary information generated
by the user in an external device before the generation of said image data or said voice data; and
recording means for recording the attribute information determined by said
determining means, and for relating the attribute information to said image data or said voice data
generated by said generation means.